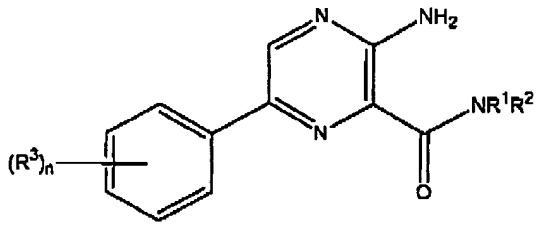
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

The claimed invention is:

Claim 1 (Original): A compound of formula (I):



(I)

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug, hydrate or solvate thereof where:

R^1 is H;

R^2 is a substituted or unsubstituted (C_1-C_8)alkyl, (C_3-C_y)cycloalkyl, (C_3-C_9)aryl, (C_3-C_9)heteroaryl, amide, amino, (C_1-C_8)alcohol, (C_3-C_9)heterocycloalkyl, (C_1-C_8)alkyl(C_3-C_9)aryl, (C_1-C_8)alkylamine, (C_1-C_8)alkylamide; or R^1 and R^2 taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form a substituted or unsubstituted heterocycloalkyl or heteroaryl;

R^3 is independently selected from the group consisting of H, (C_1-C_8)alkyl, halo, (C_1-C_8)alkoxy, sulfonyl, cyano, and keto;

n is an integer from 0-5;

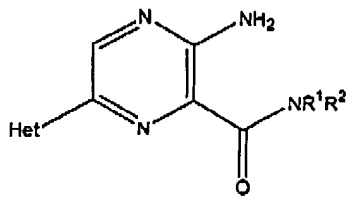
with the proviso that the compound is not 3-amino-6-phenyl-pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid butylamide or 3-amino-6-phenyl-pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid (2-hydroxy-ethyl)-amide.

Claim 2 (Original): A compound of claim 1, wherein R^3 is H, bromo, chloro, cyano, methoxy, (C_1-C_8)alkyl-SO_2-, or (C_1-C_8)alkylC(=O)-.

Claim 3 (Original): A compound of claim 1, wherein n is 0-4.

Claim 4 (Original): A compound of claim 3, wherein n is 0-1.

Claim 5 (Withdrawn): A compound of formula (II):



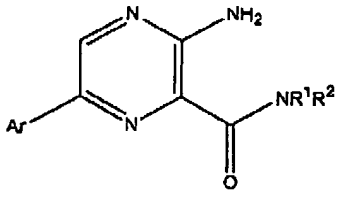
(II)

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug, hydrate or solvate thereof where:
R^1 is H;
R^2 is a substituted or unsubstituted (C_1-C_8)alcohol, (C_3-C_9)cycloalkyl, (C_3-C_9)heterocycloalkyl, (C_3-C_9)heteroaryl, (C_1-C_8)alkylamine, (C_1-C_8)alkyl(C_3-C_9)aryl, or (C_1-C_8)alkylamide; or R^1 and R^2 taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form a substituted or unsubstituted heterocycloalkyl or heteroaryl group;
Het is a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclyl or heteroaryl group containing at least one heteroatom selected from N, O and S.

Claim 6 (Withdrawn): A compound of claim 5, wherein Het is a substituted or unsubstituted (C_5-C_{10})heterocyclyl or heteroaryl group containing at least one heteroatom selected from N, O and S.

Claim 7 (Withdrawn): A compound of claim 6, wherein Het is a substituted or unsubstituted furanyl, thienyl, pyridyl, or benzofuranyl group.

Claim 8 (Withdrawn): A compound of formula (III):



(III)

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, prodrug, hydrate or solvate thereof where:
R^1 is H;
R^2 is a substituted or unsubstituted (C_1-C_8)alcohol;
Ar is a substituted or unsubstituted (C_3-C_9)aryl group;
with the proviso that the compound is not 3-amino-6-phenyl-pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid butylamide or 3-amino-6-phenyl-pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid (2-hydroxy-ethyl)-amide.

Claim 9 (Withdrawn): A compound of claim 8, wherein R^2 is a substituted or unsubstituted (C_1-C_5)alcohol.

Claim 10 (Withdrawn): A compound of claim 9, wherein R^2 is a substituted or unsubstituted (C_3-C_5)alcohol.

Claim 11 (Withdrawn): A compound of claim 8, wherein Ar is a substituted or unsubstituted naphthyl group.

Claim 12 (Withdrawn): A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of any one of claims 1-11 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 13 (Withdrawn): A method of preventing or treating a TGF-related disease state in a mammal (animal or human) comprising the step of administering a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of any one of claims 1-11 to the animal or human suffering from the TGF-related disease state.

Claim 14 (Withdrawn): A method of claim 13, wherein said TGF-related disease state is selected from the group consisting of cancer, glomerulonephritis, diabetic nephropathy, hepatic fibrosis, pulmonary fibrosis, intimal hyperplasia and restenosis, scleroderma, and dermal scarring.

Claim 15 (New): A compound of claim 1 wherein
R^2 is a substituted or unsubstituted (C_1-C_8)alkyl(C_3-C_9)aryl;

R^3 is independently selected from the group consisting of H, (C_1-C_8)alkyl, halo, (C_1-C_8)alkoxy, sulfonyl, cyano, and keto; and
n is 0-4.

Claim 16 (New): A compound of claim 15, where R^3 is independently selected from the group consisting of H, or bromo, chloro, and methoxy.

Claim 17 (New): A compound of claim 16 wherein n=0 and R^2 is an unsubstituted (C_1-C_8)alkyl(C_3-C_9)aryl.

Claim 18 (New): A compound of claim 17 wherein said (C_1-C_8)alkyl(C_3-C_9)aryl is CH_2 phenyl.

Claim 19 (New): The compound 3-amino-6-phenyl-pyrazine-2-carboxylic acid benzylamide.